

SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

No: 701.1

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: NAMING/RENAMING DISTRICT FACILITIES

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701.1. NAMING/RENAMING DISTRICT FACILITIES	
1. Purpose	<p>The Board recognizes that students, parents/guardians, graduates, employees, and/or community members may want to honor distinguished persons by naming and/or renaming school district facilities after them. This policy provides guidelines for the Board in naming and/or renaming school district facilities.</p>
2. Definition	<p>For the purposes of this policy, facilities within the school district are considered to fall within one (1) of the following categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A school district building.2. A portion of a school district building.3. A school district athletic field/facility.4. Other area(s) of school district premises.
3. Guidelines	<p>The guidelines which follow relate to the aforementioned categories and the naming or renaming of any facility, portion of a facility, or other area of school district premises that falls within those categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Requests to name or rename a school district facility, portion of a facility, or other area of school district premises shall be made in writing and submitted to the Superintendent who, after reviewing the request to ensure that it contains all necessary information, adequate detail, and appropriateness shall forward the request to the committee. All requests shall provide the name of the person to be considered for recognition as well as a detailed rationale for naming or renaming a facility, portion of a facility, or other area of school district premises, any of which shall be precisely identified, after said person.2. A committee shall be created to review all requests. Said committee shall be comprised of each of the following:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. A member of the communityb. A member of administrationc. A support staff memberd. A professional staff membere. A parent of a current Shaler Area student

The committee shall also be comprised of at least two (2) Board members. However, at no time shall there be a majority of Board members on the committee, nor shall there be more than four (4) Board members on the committee. In deciding upon whether or not to honor a properly submitted request, the character of the person being considered and his/her contributions to the school district, the community or the world at large shall be considered. The effects of the naming or renaming a facility, portion of a facility, or other areas of school premises upon the school and community shall also be considered.

3. The Committee shall inform the Superintendent of this recommendation concerning the naming of a new or existing facility, or a portion thereof, together with a written explanation based upon the objectives and guidelines of this policy.
4. A school district facility, portion of a facility, or other area of school premises shall only be named or renamed with the approval of at least six (6) of the nine (9) members of the Board.
5. The Board shall have the sole authority and responsibility for naming the facility, or portion thereof, and the Board's decision shall be final.
6. The Board reserves the right to revoke the naming of a facility in the event that the individual, for whom the facility is named, is determined to have committed any criminal act deemed to warrant such removal or has engaged in any act of moral turpitude, regardless of whether such act violates any criminal statute or results in a criminal indictment or charge.
7. In the event of significant renovations to a previously named facility, or a portion thereof, the Board may, at its discretion, determine that a new naming opportunity to be considered for the renovated area.